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This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

Re claim 20, line 2, "in a substantive" is understood to have been meant to be "with substantially the" to grammatically more correct.

Re claim 21, line 21 ""where disposed the driving wheel" is understood to be "where the driving wheel is disposed"

Re claims 43,44, "sliding device" is understood to be "sliding devices" to match with the parent claim.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex* parte Quayle, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213, (Comm'r Pat. 1935).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

## Allowable Subject Matter

As allowable subject matter has been indicated, applicant's reply must either comply with all formal requirements or specifically traverse each requirement not complied with. See 37 CFR 1.111(b) and MPEP § 707.07(a).

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Re claims 1,21, the prior art taken as a whole does not show nor suggest a parking garage trolley as claimed with the positive stops, moving plates and clamping claws with particular wheels and guide block features. The closest prior art, Arnold US

5,320,473, does not include all of these features as required by the claim and there is no motivation absent the applicant's own disclosure, to modify the Arnold reference in the manner required by the claims and further it would not be obvious to make the type and number of modifications needed to achieve the claimed invention in view of the known prior art.

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Terms are understood in light of applicant's specification, for example the term "matching" is understood to mean "mating" or "riding along" as shown in figures 8A-D and as clearly meant in light of applicant's specification.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Scott Lowe whose telephone number is (571)272-6929. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30am-4:30pm M-Th.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saul Rodriguez can be reached on (571)272-7097. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Michael Scott Lowe/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3652